

**JUNE 2003 AGENDA**

SUBJECT	X	ACTION
		INFORMATION
		PUBLIC HEARING
Assignment of Numbers for Charter School Petitions		

Recommendation:

California Department of Education (CDE) staff recommends that the State Board of Education (SBE) assign charter numbers to the charter schools identified on the attached list.

Summary of Previous State Board of Education Discussion and Action

The SBE is responsible for assigning a number to each approved charter petition. On the advice of legal counsel, CDE staff is presenting this routine request for a charter number as a standard action item.

Since the charter school law was enacted in 1992, the SBE has assigned numbers to 555 charter schools, including seven approved by the SBE after denial by the local agencies. Of these 555 schools, approximately 430 are estimated to be operating in the 2002-03 school year. In addition, the SBE has approved eight all-charter school districts containing a total of 15 charter schools.

Summary of Key Issue(s)

The law allows for the establishment of charter schools. A charter school typically is approved by a local school district or county office of education. The entity that approves a charter is also responsible for ongoing oversight. A charter school must comply with all the contents of its charter, but is otherwise exempt from most other laws governing school districts.

Education Code Section 47602 requires the SBE to assign a number to each charter school that has been approved by a local entity in the chronological order in which it was received. This numbering ensures that the state is within the cap on the total number of charter schools authorized to operate. As of July 1, 2002, the number of charter schools that may be authorized to operate in the state is 650. This cap may not be waived. This item will assign numbers to eight more charter schools. Copies of the charter petitions are on file at the Charter Schools Office.

Fiscal Analysis (as appropriate)

N/A

Attachment(s)

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Assignment of Numbers for Charter School Petitions

NUMBER	CHARTER SCHOOL NAME	CHARTER SCHOOL COUNTY	AUTHORIZING ENTITY	CHARTER SCHOOL CONTACT
556	Heritage K-8 Charter School	San Diego	Escondido Union SD	Tom Donahue 1845 East Valley Parkway Escondido, CA 92027 (760) 737-3154
557	Leadership Public Schools Richmond	Contra Costa	West Contra Costa USD	Mark Kushner PO Box 29527 San Francisco, CA 94129-0527 (415) 561-3397
558	Roseland Charter School	Sonoma	Roseland SD	Gail Ahlas 1777 West Ave. Santa Rosa, CA 95407 (707) 546-7050
559	Emiliano Zapata Street Academy	Alameda	Oakland USD	Betsy Schulz 417 29 th St. Oakland, CA 94609 (510) 879-3130
560	Leadership Public Schools Oakland	Alameda	Oakland USD	Mark Kushner PO Box 29527 San Francisco, CA 94129-0527 (415) 561-3397
561	Futures High School	Sacramento	Grant Joint Union HSD	Randy Orzalli 5201 Arnold Ave. McClellan, CA 95652 (916) 643-9891
562	Grant Community Outreach Academy	Sacramento	Grant Joint Union HSD	Randy Orzalli 5201 Arnold Ave. McClellan, CA 95652 (916) 643-9891
563	Grant School-to-Career Institute	Sacramento	Grant Joint Union HSD	Toby Richardson 3222 Winona Way North Highlands, CA 95660 (916) 286-3800

